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Exactly what was your involvement with the Vietnam Task Force Study?

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How did you first learn that the study on Vietnam was to be undertaken or was in the process of being made? (Colonel Robert Gard - a Military Assistant to Mr. McNamara - said that at the onset of the study, he corresponded with Dr. Heyman, who was employed in OSD/Systems Analysis, and sought out Heyman's ideas on how to approach the study).

Did you participate in or supervise any of the work on the study? If so, identify the specific parts of the study and other individual(s) who also participated.

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Please identify all members known to you as having been assigned to the Vietnam Task Force Study.

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What were your relationships with members of the study group? Prior to the study, did you have any relationship with any of the study group members after the study was completed?

Did you ever assist in obtaining research material for the Vietnam Task Force?

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DR. RICHARD MOORSTEEN

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What specific areas of the study did you work, and who else--if anyone--was assigned to work on the same area(s)? (Records indicate Moorsteen worked on a portion entitled "Communist Politics-Military Reactions: 1961-1967").

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ANDREW J. PIERRE 577L

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. What specific areas of the study did you work on? Who else was assigned to work on the same area(s)? (Records indicate Pierre worked on "Part II-The First War, 1950-1954")

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DR. EDWARD JANICK B7C

What specific areas of the study did you work on, and who else was assigned to work on the same area(s)? (The records indicate Janicik was assigned to work on study parts entitled: "Phased Withdrawal of U. S. Forces in Vietnam, 1963-1964" and "The PAT-Cadre Program, 1964-1966").

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DR. MELVIN GUSTOV B74

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After you left the Vietnam Task Force Study and returned to Rand-Santa Monica, did you ever receive or request transmittal of portions of the Study material? (Mr. Kenneth Roberts, OSD/ISA said Gurtov, 37280 requested portions of the material he worked on during the Study be forwarded to him at Rand for use on a related Rand project. The request was refused by Dr. Leslie Gelb).

Do you currently have in your possession or under your control
any papers prepared in connection with the study?

While you were assigned to the Task Force, did you transcribe any of the research material or notes into your personal notebooks? (Colonel Gorman said that although he has no facts to support it, he feels certain Gurtov incorporated certain OSD material into his own personal notes without regard to security classifications).

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What was your reason for terminating your assignment to the Vietnam Task Force Study? (General Pursley said Gurtov specifically requested permission to use some of the research material in a book he intended to publish concerning Southeast Asia . Pursley advised that when Gurtov was informed he could not use the material for private purposes, he voluntarily left the study group).